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Measures to eliminate international terrorism

Letter dated 10 July 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith a statement issued at the Ninth Meeting of Foreign Ministers of Iraq's Neighbouring Countries on the Grave Situation in Palestine. The meeting was held in Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran, on 8 and 9 July 2006 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly under agenda items 14, 31 and 108 and of the Security Council.

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Statement of the Ninth Meeting of Foreign Ministers of Iraq's Neighbouring Countries on the Grave Situation in Palestine

Tehran, 17 and 18 Tir 1385 (8 and 9 July 2006)

The Foreign Ministers of the Kingdom of Bahrain, the Arab Republic of Egypt, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Republic of Iraq, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, the State of Kuwait, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the Syrian Arab Republic and the Republic of Turkey, as well as the Secretary-General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States, participating in the Ninth Meeting of Foreign Ministers of Iraq's Neighbouring Countries, held in Tehran on 17 and 18 Tir 1385, corresponding to 12 and 13 Jamdi al-Thani 1427 and 8 and 9 July 2006, discussed the current grave situation in Gaza and its dangerous implications for security and stability in the entire region, and agreed as follows:

Reaffirming their solidarity with and their support for the Palestinian people, the Palestine Authority and their elected President and Government, and also emphasizing the need for the restoration of the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people, including their right to self-determination, the Ministers strongly condemned the recent inhuman Israeli acts, including its extensive military attacks against the innocent Palestinian people, their elected Government officials and their political and economic institutions and infrastructure as gross violations of human rights and international humanitarian law, the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and numerous Security Council resolutions and called for an immediate end to such attacks, which openly threaten international peace and security.